



**Our rating.**

Rating agency	Short-term rating	Long term-rating	Outlook
Standard & Poor's	A-1	A	Negative
Moody's	P-3	Baa2	Negative
Fitch Ratings	F2	A-	Negative

**Key economic drivers of Catalonia**

- Catalonia is one of the richest autonomous communities of Spain.
- Area: 31,895 km<sup>2</sup>, similar to Belgium / Population: 7.5 million, similar to Switzerland / GDP (mp): 197 billions, similar to Finland and 18.63% of Spanish GDP.
- GDP per capita (ppp 2009): Catalonia 120.8 / Spain 103 / EU-27 100.
- Dynamic economy: Catalonia grew at 3.5% annually during the 10-year period prior to the crisis (1996-2007), EU: 2.5%. Active in creation of businesses. Index of "total entrepreneurial activity" in 2009 = 6.4 (EU = 5.8).
- Excellence in research: 4 of the world's top 100 research centers and 19 of Spain's top 25 research centers.
- Diversified industry and importance of services (70% of jobs in service sector). Tourism accounts for 12% of the Catalan GDP.
- An open and international economy (Economic openness index is approximately 100%; 26.2% of Spanish exports are Catalan; 58.7% of our exports outside of Spain have medium-high or high technological content).

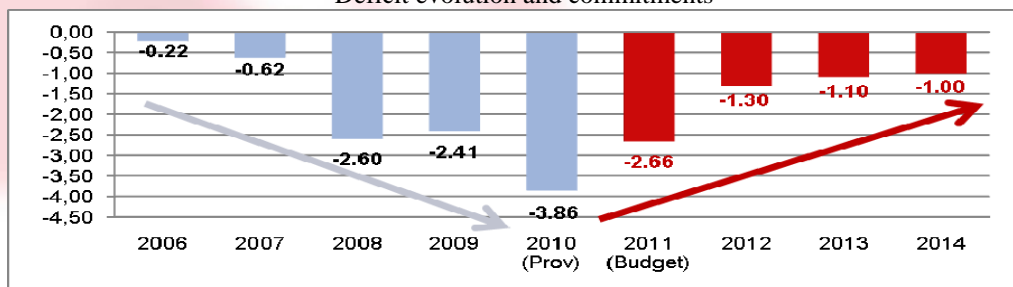


**Fiscal rebalancing, the priority of the Government**

Government commitments:

- Rebalance the public accounts.
- Principles: austerity and credibility.
- The 2011 Budget incorporates a 10% reduction in expenditure, which amounts to 1.3% of GDP.
- A process of fiscal consolidation has been set in motion that fulfils the 2012-2014 European deficit targets.

Deficit evolution and commitments



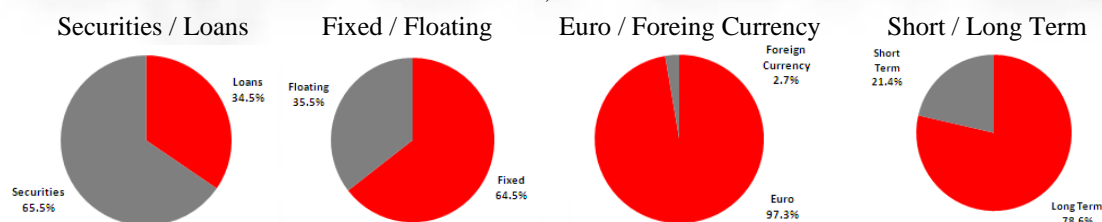
**Central Government monitoring Autonomous Communities.**

Spain has a Budgetary Stability Law that assures the discipline by the autonomous communities:

- Fiscal performance objectives established by the Central Government.
- Coordination of the action of all autonomous communities and the Central Government by the Council of Fiscal and Financial Policy.
- The Consolidation plans of the autonomous communities have to be approved by the Central Government.
- Annual Debt plans have to be approved by the Central Government.
- The Central Government has to authorize the amount to be issued by every autonomous community.

## Debt Overview

Government of Catalonia debt at 31 March 2011: 30,450 M€ Debt structure:



### 2011 Funding strategy

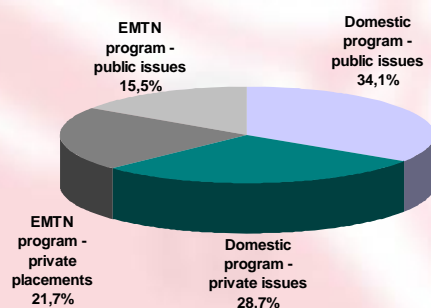
TOOL	Budget 2011	Worst case	M€
			Done 8/31/2011
Private placements, taps and issues in foreign currency	1,291	800	623
Government bonds in euros	1,500	400	400
Government bonds in euros (retail)	6,324	7,000	3,344
Loans and promissory notes	1,000	700	600
Increase in payables	0	1,215	0
<b>TOTAL NEEDS</b>	<b>10,115</b>	<b>10,115</b>	<b>4,967</b>

### Financing and activity in capital markets.

The Government of Catalonia has a proven track record with respect to issuance in international capital markets.

- 1986:** 1<sup>st</sup> entry in the capital markets. 15-years issue
- 1993:** 1<sup>st</sup> foreign exchange issue (French francs)
- 1994:** Regular programme for promissory note Issues
- 1995:** Issue in USD (NY Stock Exchange)
- 2009:** EMTN Programme (Luxembourg Stock Exchange). Issue in JPY, CHF.
- 2010:** ECP Programme €3,000 M retail issue.

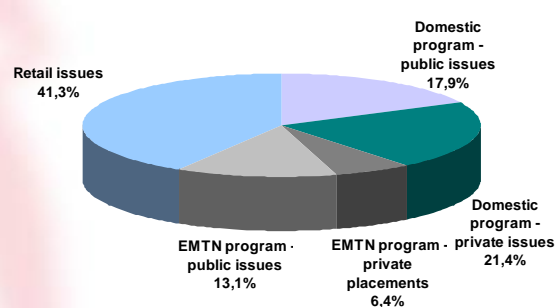
#### 2009 instruments of issue



#### EMTN PROGRAMME

Size: €9,000,000,000

#### 2010 instruments of issue



#### ECP PROGRAMME

Size: €2,000,000,000

Currencies: EUR, USD, GBP, JPY, CHF, CAD, AUD, etc.

### Characteristics of the issued securities

- Same advantages and conditions as Spanish state Debt (article 14.5 of Organic Law 8/1980 of 22 September on Financing the Autonomous Communities, LOFCA).
- Eligible as collateral for ECB.
- Equivalent retention to that of public debt of Spanish state.
- Security placement in international capital markets.
- Generic weighting (according to the legislation of each country) on consumption of capital: 0%.

### Where to find out more

Website for "Investor relations": [www.gencat.cat/economia/debt](http://www.gencat.cat/economia/debt)

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